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SUBJECT: GAO VISIT

FROM FRANK C. CONAHAN, DIRECTOR, EUROPEAN BRANCH, USGAO

SUBJECT: GAO VISIT --FOLLOW-UP REVIEW OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE
TRAINING AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR U.S. GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL OVERSEAS.

1. AS PART OF WORLDWIDE REVIEW, GAO FRANKFURT PLANS TO VISIT THE
EMBASSY IN JIDDA AND THE CONSULATE AND U.S. TRAINING MISSION IN
DHAHRAN.

2. THE PURPOSE OF THIS REVIEW IS TO EVALUATE IMPROVEMENTS MADE
SINCE OUR 1973 REPORT TO THE CONGRESS ENTITLED "NEED TO IMPROVE
LANGUAGE TRAINING PROGRAMS AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR U.S. GOVERNMENT
PERSONNEL OVERSEAS."

3. WE PLAN TO START WORK IN JIDDA ON MARCH 17, 1975. IN PREPARA-
TION FOR OUR VISIT, PLEASE ARRANGE FOR THE FOLLOWING: A. LISTING
OF ALL EMBASSY AND OTHER AGENCY PERSONNEL AT THE POST (INCLUDING
AID, USIS, AND MILITARY STAFFS) WHO HAVE LANGUAGE TRAINING HISTORIES,
INCLUDING IDENTIFICATION OF THE LANGUAGE, SOURCE AND DATES OF
TRAINING, LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY RATING, AND CURRENT POSITION
TITLE. PLEASE CONVEY SAME REQUEST TO CONSULATE AND MILITARY
TRAINING MISSION IN DHAHRAN. B. HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR TEAM
MEMBERS ROBERT BRADY, JOAN MC CABE AND RONALD GUTHRIE (SINGLES
WITH BATH) IN JIDDA FOR MARCH 16-20 AND DHAHRAN MARCH 21-24.
THE TEAM WILL ARRIVE IN JIDDA ON MARCH 16 AT 1945 VIA SV 731
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PLEASE CONFIRM. LETTER FOLLOWS.HARLAN

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